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To Whom It May Concern:

Wischert's Mobil is a second generation family owned business that has served the West Haven community for many years. As a small business owner, I want to make you aware how important the CT Underground Tank Program is to my survival.

This program provides insurance required to meet financial responsibility requirements imposed by the federal government. The fund also provides reimbursement to remediate sites that have been impacted environmentally. Private insurance, even if available for my location, would be extremely expensive and cost prohibitive. Without the protections afforded by this program I would be forced to close the doors.

The future of my business depends on your **rejection of line 16 of the Governors November Deficit Mitigation Plan**, please show your support for the small business operators of the state.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gary Wischert Wischert's Mobil Tel. (203) 934-3432